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Applicant's or agent's file reference 9572WO/UR	FOR FURTHER ACTION	see Form PCT/ISA/220 as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.
International application No. PCT/SE 2004/002059	International filing date (day/month/year) 30 December 2004	(Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 31 December 2003
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b. ☐ With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. ☐ Certain claims were found unsearchable (see Box No. II)

3. ☐ Unity of invention is lacking (see Box No. III)

4. With regard to the title,

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a. the figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 3

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC7: G01B 11/30, B21B 37/28

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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SE,DK,FI,NO classes as above

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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